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THUS SAITH THE LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel. Fear not; for I have redeemed thee. I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. —Isaiah 43: 1.

Flat bankroll ne'er won fair lady in these modern days of furious gas consumption.

If everyone who becomes afflicted with the spring fever were to take a rest cure, 99.44 per cent of us would die of starvation.

A SOUND CREDIT PLAN.

Individuals and institutions in many sections of the country are becoming concerned over what they describe as a popular tendency to go into debt for the common satisfactions of life. Their concern frequently assumes the proportions of alarm.

When these alarmists speak of a "popular tendency to go into debt for the common satisfactions of life," they are referring to the growing tendency of the millions to purchase automobiles, phonographs, furniture, radios, jewelry and good clothes on the partial or deferred payment plan. They believe the mortgaging of incomes is contrary to economic laws.

Every preaching reformer must have his "horrible examples" and those who harangue against the "pay while you use" plan are no exception. They have dug up an instance or two where wage earners have pledged themselves to meet monthly payments in excess of their entire incomes and on the strength of them are condemning the entire system.

If there were any truth in the charges of those who would deprive the masses of their present extended credit the "easy payment plan" would have "blown up" long ago. The mere fact that the plan has been almost universally adopted in this country is proof enough that it is sound. For further proof ask the credit men what the percentage of loss is and ask the average family whether the system benefits or works a hardship upon it. The credit man and the family are the best defenders of the system.

MOTHER.

More than two hundred years before Christ, a powerful Egyptian ruler named Ptolemy II built a marble tomb four hundred feet high on the island of Pharos. Near the top he had placed on a marble tablet, his name. For many years the name of the royal founder stood out conspicuously. But it was written on mortar made to imitate marble, which was spread over the tablet.

Time gradually removed the inscription; the mortar crumbling, fell. Then it was seen that, carved in the enduring stone, was the name of the Greek architect, Sostratus, who had taken this course to perpetuate his own name as the real author of the beauty and grandeur expressed in this lofty pile.

So, many an eminent man, at the pinnacle of his fame, is regarded as the product of some party or system or method of education. But, with time the label disappears, and there stands out in that life the deeply engraven name, "Mother," often all unknown to the multitude that honors her son.

With the coming of Mother's Day each year people in high stations of life and in low stations, regardless of the degree of success to which they may have attained, pay solemn and profound tribute to the name of Mother. Too often we are prone to be slow to show and express that love and respect for our mothers and too often are we reticent about paying tribute where the greatest tribute is due. Yet the true Mother always knows and understands. Her greatest recompense is not in receiving obvious expressions of a child's love, fine as such expression may be, so much as in the realization that she has given to the world a good and useful citizen whose life may become the greatest evidence and manifestation of tribute due.

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By JUNIUS

THE GREAT JAM
Backed in the huge oval was the colorful crowd, jammed in with scarcely room to breathe. Row on row, layer on layer, the crushing mob was packed in, packed in, as one said, like sardines—sardines. And yes, the funny part of it is that they were sardines.

"I can't understand the combination of my wife's clothes," "What puzzles you?" "Well, when she wants to bid anything she pokes it down her neck, but when she wants to get it again, it's always in her stocking."

EPITAPH
Here lies the body of Michael O'Flaherty, who killed himself eating peas with his knife.

On that last day when the dumb speak it won't seem unusual to those who have heard after-dinner orators.

An Illinois girl has invited 5,000 persons to her wedding. If they all accept there ought to be a tremendous business revival in that region.

Hanson Tatters claims he has had the laziest man spotted; he has got his bound train to let his stamps.

The meanest man in the world is the guy who proposes to an old maid over the telephone and after she accepts him, tells her that he had the wrong number.

A man I know in a hurry to get rid of some of his home brew, poured it into the gold fish globe. And on his return, he discovered that the fish had eaten their way out of the globe, had killed the cat, overturned the kitchen stove, and was putting the finishing touches to the family bull-dog.

The country is entitled to hope in event of future wars our navy will be able to battle the enemy as successfully as the present condition battles our experts.

"Why do you want Emburger cheese packed in your lunch?" asked the grocer. "Because, papa," answered his truthful little son, "I want the teacher to send me home."

A reckless driver never gets so entirely reckless that he isn't kind of careful for himself.

Two Irishmen were walking down the road on their way to work. One was a little short fellow and was having trouble keeping up with his taller companion. "I say, Pat, you walk fast, don't you?"

"I walk faster than this when I'm by myself," returned Pat. "Faith an' I'd hate to be walking with ye when ye was by yourself."

A strange feature of the grade crossing situation is that the railroad companies seem bent on keeping us all from being killed, while we all don't seem to mind whether we are or not.

The rainbow coloring is brought about by the use of a highly colored surface on patent leather. A kind of imitation of a butterfly wing. The surface is translucent and filled with particles of the green, blue and magenta of the rainbow. The leather when wet is designed to meet the white inner with slipper for the slipper, but the no-fakes are not so sure about success because of the uncertainty of absence of patent leather slippers hot weather.

Waco (Tex.) Grocer was rubbed of \$250 by a man with a gun instead of by a man with credit.

Yesterday In Washington

President Coolidge tentatively accepted an offer of summer executive offices at Lynn, Mass.

Mrs. Gilbert Hitchcock, wife of former Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, died at her home after a long illness.

Coast guard headquarters disclosed evidence that gun row has embarked on a counter offensive of intimidation and violence against the blockade.

The winter wheat crop was forecast at 44,825,000 bushels, or 118,000,000 less than last year.

President Coolidge's personal interest in expansion of the study of aviation at West Point as well as Annapolis was disclosed at the White House.

Minority stockholders of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad entered a motion before the interstate commerce commission looking to annulment of steps already taken for its merger with the Nickel Plate.

Chairman Butler of the house naval committee announced that a program for construction of the strongest naval base in the world at Hawaii should be placed before the senate.

Poets' Corner

A MOTHER'S APPEAL.
Take my withered hands in yours, Child of my soul,
Mother's heart is craving love;
Mother's growing old,
See, the snows of many years
Crown my furrowed brow;
As I've loved and petted you,
Love and pet me now.

Lay your hand upon my head,
Smooth my whitened hair,
I've been growing old the while,
You've been growing fair,
That your Mother needs caressing,
Ask not why or how—
As I've loved and petted you,
Love and pet me now.

Take my withered hands in yours,
Child of my soul,
Mother's heart is craving love;
Mother's growing old,
Makes Life's sweetest part,
Touch with love my faded cheek,
Kiss my anachronous brow,
As I've loved and petted you,
Love and pet me now.

Take my withered hands in yours,
Hold them close and strong,
Cheer me with a fond caress,
"I'll not be for long."
Youth's immortal soon will crown
With its wealth my brow;
As I've loved and petted you,
Love and pet me now.

Take my withered hands in yours,
This your heart will press;
If you owe me anything,
Pay the debt with love,
Press me in your strong, young arms,
Break me a loving vow—
As I've loved and petted you,
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BOYS ON WAY TO THE CAMPS

NEW YORK (AP)—This is the season when the snap of rod and line, the whisper of wind through the forests and the chatter of streams, warble a strenuous song to boys, old and young. To satisfy the thirst of youth for the outdoors, the Young Men's Christian association is already making preparations for its hundreds of summer camps, the attendance of which is expected to exceed that for any previous year since the first camp in 1885.

Arthur N. Cotton, head of the Boys' Work of the National Council, estimates that the enrollment this year probably will reach 1,000,000 for the 500 Y. M. C. A. camps which will be held from June to September throughout the United States for boys from 12 to 18 years of age.

This is only one phase of the summer's program. Thousands of other boys who are unable to attend camp will be given opportunities for free swimming and gymnasium training, hikes, educational trips to factories, nature study, Bible study, and abbreviated scholastic courses in Y. M. C. A.'s from coast to coast.

"Y. M. C. A. camps," said Mr. Cotton, "furnish an outlet for boy energy and provide a pathway toward the development of clean, wholesome living. These boyish impulses are directed into proper channels, leading to the formation of mental, physical, social and spiritual power."

Most of each day's program in the Y. M. C. A. camps is given over to sports and lessons in living the life of the great outdoors. Religious exercises are limited to the main to brief Bible study courses. There is no preaching.

Summer P. Dudley, established the first Y. M. C. A. boys' camp at Orange Lake, N. Y., in 1885, under the auspices of the Newburgh, N. Y., association, only two or three years after Ernest Berkeley Bales had set up on Aqueduct Lake, New Hampshire, Camp Chocoma, the first private organized camp for boys ever held in the United States.

The movement has spread into nearly every other nation of the world. Thousands of boys now assemble in camp each summer under the Red Triangle in many strange spots, from the dangerous mountains of China, to the chill wastes of Russia and the beautiful fruit groves in the shores of the Aegean Sea. And the manner of conducting such of these camps varies but slightly from that in vogue in Jersey, Colorado, or Kansas.

Instruction in camp varies from wood lore to gymnastics. Every effort is made to safeguard the boys by teaching them care of their bodies and an avoidance of foolishly and dangerous stunts. Offenses; they live care-free lives in the open. Clothing is designed for comfort, not style, the object being to build healthy bodies and alert clean minds.

Smoking Cigarettes Leads Two Berlin Girls To Jail

BERLIN (AP)—Longing for a smoke while walking recently through the pine woods of Tegeler, near this city, two young girls started a fire that consumed 20 acres of fine timber in two hours. A lighted cigarette, carelessly cast aside, ignited the dry pine needles. The girls tried to put out the fire, but could not, and then gave the alarm, but it was too late. They are now in jail, and will be sued for the loss of the forest.

It's spring and the little girls are sitting around waiting for house flies to take them out riding. Accidents will happen, in fact, most things are accidents.

Dr. Brandes Declares Culture Thing of Past

BERLIN (AP)—Georg Brandes, the Danish critic, recently lectured in Berlin on "Europe as it is today." Despite his 84 years, the speaker's mental keenness and elasticity are surprising. Brandes is not infatuated with the Europe of today. Culture, he believes is a thing of the past. In 1912, he said, the fires of the impending world conflagration were glimmering everywhere in Europe and quite as much in Paris as elsewhere. When he made this declaration there was a dead silence in the crowded hall. He continued to speak of the pernicious influence of the press everywhere in bringing about the World War and was scathing in his remarks when he broached the question of cultural developments in Europe since the war.

He mentioned that a well known French journalist had asked his opinion about the international state of culture. "Culture," he had replied, "is dead. Europe progressing can be no question of an international culture. Look at the France of today. She can no longer stand criticism. Her best friends remain silent. Today she has become the heir of Prussian militarism."

Dr. Brandes admitted that Russia, Japan and China showed symptoms of cultural progress. But when it came to Europe, progressing in the world's cultural development, he was asked, Did she still play a part in the concert of nations? If so, scarcely more than the fiddle. And the League of Nations? With a disparaging gesture he declared that institution a farce.

Speeder Is Unable to Spell "Stop," Fined \$50

DETROIT (AP)—Judge Charles L. Bartlett, memos of the traffic law violators, believes he has found out one reason for reckless motor car driving.

Joseph Spans appeared before him Wednesday charged with speeding. Judge Bartlett interrogated him concerning his knowledge of traffic regulations, finally asking him to spell "so." After numerous attempts Spans ruminated the two letters correctly.

"Now spell 'stop,'" said the judge. "This four letter word stamped Spans, who finally admitted defeat."

"That," said Judge Bartlett, "is the trouble with too many motorists today, then can spell 'so,' but they can't 'stop.'"

Minerva Says---

"A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."
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